

What is claimed is:

1. A portable transmitter for remotely operating a plurality of vehicular devices, each of which provides a corresponding one of a plurality of functions, the portable transmitter comprising:

a plurality of switches, each of which is linked with a corresponding one of the functions;

an operation command generating means for generating an operation command that causes a corresponding one of the vehicular devices to provide a selected one of the functions, which is selected upon operation of a corresponding one of the switches;

a transmitting means for performing wireless transmission of the operation command upon reception of the operation command from the operation command generating means;

a storage means for storing link data, which includes a plurality of links, wherein each link connects between a corresponding one of the switches and a corresponding one of the functions;

an interface means for receiving an external command outputted from an external device; and

a write control means for writing the link data in the storage means based on the external command received through the interface means, wherein the operation command generating means generates the operation command based on the link data stored in the storage means.

2. The portable transmitter according to claim 1, wherein:  
the operation command is selected from a plurality of operation commands; and  
a number of the operation commands is greater than a number of the switches.
3. The portable transmitter according to claim 1, wherein contents of the storage means is rewritable.
4. The portable transmitter according to claim 1, further comprising a read control means for retrieving the contents of the storage means and then outputting the retrieved contents of the storage means through the interface means based on another external command received through the interface means.
5. The portable transmitter according to claim 1, wherein one of the plurality of functions is locking/unlocking of a vehicle door.
6. The portable transmitter according to claim 1, wherein the links, which are contained in the link data stored in the storage means, are variable.